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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Communication dated January 30, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests that drawings indicative of Species A as defined by the Examiner be selected for further prosecution pursuant to the election of Claims 1-22 with traverse.

Applicant retains the right to prosecute the remaining species shown in Figures 10 through 22 at a later time.

Although it is believed that no fee is due for the filing of this Response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2789 for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayments regarding this response.

Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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